Licensed for	Kind of trees licensed			Total number of trees.
	Cocoanut	Palmyrah	Sago	
(a) Fermented toddy	61,900	8,256	4,460	74,616
(b) Jaggery toddy	6,015	8,195	8,435	22,615
(c) Bakery	92	...	2	94
Total ...	68,007	16,361	12,957	97,325

(2) The answer is in the negative. Hence the latter part of the question does not arise.

Prohibition.

105. Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Will the Hon'ble Member in charge of the Excise Department be pleased to inform from which date the policy of working up to Prohibition was adopted by our State, and since that date does the annual consumption of liquor in the State show a steady annual decrease in quantity consumed, and calculating according to quantity consumed and calculating according to that rate of annual decrease, within how many years the goal of Prohibition can be attained?

Mr. V. B. Vaidyanatha Ayyar.—With regard to the former part of the question, the Member is referred to the answers given to the main question No. 110 of the last session and the supplementary questions thereto.

As regards the latter portion, no definite period can be fixed.

The consumption of foreign liquor.

106. Mr. K. T. Mathew.—(a) Will the Government be pleased to state whether there is any arrangement now in practice to ascertain the quantity of foreign liquor sold annually by the F. L. shops in the State;

(b) and also for knowing the quantity of toddy sold;

(c) and if there is no means of knowing them, whether any suitable arrangements will be made for finding them out, and if the answer is in the negative, to give the reasons for it?

Mr. V. B. Vaidyanatha Ayyar.—(a) The license granted to the licensees requires them to maintain accounts.

(b) No accounts are to be maintained.

(c) The question of insisting on toddy shop-keepers to maintain accounts will be considered.

107. Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Will the Government be pleased to state how many foreign liquor shops have been

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